# **ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

# Tuesday, 26 March, 2024

2 - 3 PM PT/ 5 - 6 PM ET

#### Attendees:

Mona Kasra, Executive Committee Chair David Spoelstra, Executive Committee Treasurer Elizabeth Baron, Executive Committee Director, Past Chair Tomasz Bednarz, SIGGRAPH Asia Conference Advisory Group (SACAG) Chair Shimin Hu, Executive Committee Director Brad Lawrence, Executive Committee Treasurer - Elect Barbara Mones, Executive Committee Director Mikki Rose, Conference Advisory Group, (CAG) Chair Courtney Starrett, Executive Committee Director Scott Owen, Governance Advisory Board (GAB) Chair Marcia Daudelin, Conference Adminsition Thierry Frey, Nominations Committee Chair

### Meeting Minutes:

- 1. 12 March
  - a. Vote
    - i. PASSED

### <u>Agenda:</u>

Agenda Item	Presenter	Time Needed
<ul> <li>Chair's Update <ol> <li>Approve Meeting Minutes &amp; Agenda</li> <li>Spring 2024 EC Meeting <ol> <li>First day will be at the NVIDIA headquarters. The second day will be at the hotel with a few guests from the community joining the meeting.</li> <li>There will be an informal dinner on Thursday.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Volunteer Development Committee (VDC) Chair. <ol> <li>Appointment Update</li> <li>The co-chairs will present 2 candidates for the EC to make a decision.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>	Mona Kasra	5 Mins
<ol> <li>OKRs Update         <ul> <li>A part of the April meeting will be dedicated to</li> <li>OKRs and receiving updates on the progress</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		

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<ul> <li>External Relation Committee (Interim) Chair <ol> <li>Interim Chair Appointment <ol> <li>Discussion <ol> <li>The current External Relations Chair has stepped down.</li> <li>Joaquim Jorge prior to serving a full term stepped up as interim chair when Tomasz Bednarz had stepped down.</li> <li>Miho Aoki has expressed interest in stepping into the role as interim chair of the committee.</li> <li>The EC can appoint Miho to interim chair and during this interim period the EC should think about the goal of the External Relations Committee.</li> <li>After the EC votes, the chair would like to give Miho some directions for the committee.</li> <li>This is an opportunity for the EC to reiterate the goals for the committee.</li> <li>This is an opportunity for the EC to reiterate the goals for the committee.</li> <li>This is a structure for the Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs).</li> <li>Make sure that the appropriate people are attending these external relations events and conferences to make sure the organization is getting the right exposure.</li> <li>Make sure that the relationships are reciprocal and not one sided.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Mona Kasra moves to appoint Miho Aoki as the Interim Chair of the External Relations Committee</li> </ol></li></ol></li></ul>	Mona Kasra	15 Mins

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until August 2026.Seconded by David Spoelstra.		
c. Vote		
i. PASSED (8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)		
Upcoming Standing Committee Vacancies for 2024	Mona Kasra/ Thierry Frey	30 Mins
1. Discuss & Vote to continue the following Standing		
Committee Chair terms:		
a. Education		
b. ITS		
c. Membership		
d. Publication 2. EC Discussion		
a. Some of the chairs have already served for 2 terms,		
so they have to be changed. Some of the		
committee chairs are in their first term and either		
they don't want to continue or they're willing to		
continue.		
<ul> <li>b. The Education chair is willing to continue for</li> </ul>		
another term.		
c. The ITS chair is willing to continue for another term.		
d. The Membership chair is willing to continue for		
another term.		
<ul> <li>e. The Publications chair is willing to continue for another term.</li> </ul>		
f. The EC can reappoint those 4 committees by a		
supermajority vote; which is 8 votes. The EC is		
going against the stated policy and guidelines, so it		
requires a supermajority.		
3. David Spoelstra moves that the EC reappoints the standing		
committee chairs of the Education, ITS, Membership, and		
Publications Standing Committees for another term.		
Elizabeth Baron seconds.		
a. Vote		
<ul><li>i. PASSED (8 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain)</li><li>4. Discuss &amp; Vote on the combining of the <i>Membership and</i></li></ul>		
<i>Communications</i> Committees.		
a. EC Discussion		
i. Barb Helfer had previously expressed		
interest in moving the organization's		
newsletter, Interactions, under the		
Membership committee; the newsletter is a		
member benefit. Barb previously discussed		

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<ul> <li>this with Adele Newton, Communications Chair. Recently Barb and Adele have been partnering to roll out the new email platform, Constant Contact.</li> <li>ii. Barb has mentioned that she is interested in bringing Communication and Membership back together as one committee. There is good synergy between the two committees.</li> <li>1. Historically, Communications and Membership were one committee and only in the last few years they were separated into two committees.</li> <li>2. The idea of separating the committees was that EC really wanted to put a major effort into membership.</li> <li>iii. Barb mentioned that her committee has devolved into managing the ACM SIGGRAPH Village at SIGGRAPH and doesn't have other ongoing or recurring projects throughout the year.</li> <li>iv. It makes a lot of sense to combine these two committees. The EC has been trying to consolidate committees or reduce the number of committees that would really help the organization financially.</li> <li>b. Adele Newton does not want a 2nd term as the Communications Chair.</li> <li>c. David Spoelstra moves to combine the Membership and Communications Standing Committees and to appoint Barb Helfer as the Membership and Communication Committee Chair (MCC) effective 1 September 2024. Brad Lawrence seconds.</li> <li>i. Vote</li> <li>1. PASSED (9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)</li> <li>a. Next steps. Sout Owne will</li> </ul>		Needed
<ul> <li>a. Next steps, Scott Owen will update the policy guidelines regarding the changes in the section on the committees, send it out to the governance committee for a quick review and then to the EC.</li> <li>b. The Chair will talk to Barb Helfer.</li> </ul>		

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c. The treasurers will decide on		
which of the committees to		
sunset for financial purposes.		
5. The EC will discuss the vision and goals of the following		
three Standing Committees at the April meeting -		
applications for the calls ongoing:		
a. DEI Committee (Tony Baylis in 2nd term - need a		
new chair)		
i. The EC previously discussed transitioning		
this committee to an advisory board.		
ii. There is a member of the DEI committee		
interested in being the chair and currently		
shadowing with Tony. iii. Similar to Practitioners, the EC needs to		
iii. Similar to Practitioners, the EC needs to figure out what they want from the DEI		
Committee? What the goal of this committee		
is rather than focusing on conference		
programs.		
b. Practitioner Career Development Committee (Juan		
Miguel de Joya is willing to serve a 2nd term)		
i. His first term is ending and he is interested		
in a 2nd term. But as we discussed last		
time. The EC really needs more information		
about this committee's vision, strategic		
plans, and goals. Both the Chair and the		
Nominations Committee Chair reached out		
to Juan and asked him to provide some		
information before the EC can think about		
the reappointment or choosing a different		
candidate; the EC needs to figure out the		
purpose of this committee.		
ii. There is a different vision for what		
Practitioners can betrying to engage		
groups that aren't normally part of		
SIGGRAPH in industry. 1. Elizabeth Baron can provide some		
perspective on this vision.		
c. History Committee (Mary Whitton)		
i. The EC decided to place the call of		
nominations for this committee on hold.		
ii. The Governance Advisory Board (GAB) has		
a proposal that will be good to discuss at the		
April Meeting. The proposal is transitioning		
the Pioneers Affinity Group to a Standing		
April Meeting. The proposal is transitioning		

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	Committee and have History move under the Pioneers. d. The goal of the April Meeting will be to make a final decision regarding these committees.		
Updat	es from Liaisons		10 Min
1.	Underrepresented Travel Grants have received 4		
	applications.		
	a. The committee has decided to extend the		
	application deadline.		
	i. The application deadline is 30 April 2024.		
2.	Online Communities Grouping		
	a. Barb Helfer is looking to host a reception for the org award winners and the EC as a way for conference		
	attendees to meet and get to know the EC and		
	award winners.		
	b. Need a way to enforce that EC directors sign-up for		
	an hour in the Village. This can be discussed later.		
	c. Stephen Spencer and Alla Sheffer have been in		
	discussion regarding meeting with SIG CHI to		
	discuss Open Access.		
	i. It is recommended to wait until SGB is over,		
2	which is in a few weeks.		
3.	Career Development Grouping a. The Early Career Development Chair is having a		
	baby and Craig Slagel will be stepping into the role		
	on an interim basis.		
	b. Courtney Starrett was able to connect the Early		
	Career Development Committee with the Education		
	Committee to discuss program ideas and see if		
	there is any overlap and potentially collaborate with		
	one another on activities.		
4.	SIGGRAPH 2024		
	a. Registration opens Wednesday, 27 March 2024,		
5.	spread the word! The Guild		
J.	a. There have been several meetings with Andres		
	Burbano regarding the Village and Barb Helfer has		
	also attended those meetings.		
6.	Nominations Committee		
	a. The nominations Chair will need to make sure that		
	his committee maintains an odd number of		
	members.		
	i. Potentially might need the EC to allow a		

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waiver to allow for a member to stay for additional time.		